OUR SCHOOL'S INTERNET AGREEMENT

At St Margaret Mary Catholic Primary School, we are lucky enough to have a range of different technology to use to educate our pupils so they can reach their full potential. I.E IPads, Laptops, Computers, Fizzbooks and much more.

We know the internet can be great to investigate and learn from, due to the never-ending information and pictures online, which can make learning more interesting for our pupils as they can be independent and research information on a subject being taught in class themselves.

However, we are also aware that there can be dangers when using the internet, therefore inappropriate sites are blocked such as social networking sites and music channels, which do not support learning.

We ask our pupils to only use the internet for educational purposes and only under adult supervision. We highlight accepted internet use at school in our home-school agreement, which you and your child will have signed when they first started our school. (If you're unsure if you've signed this please contact the school as we keep this information stored)

<u>Cyberbullying is not tolerated and there will be serious consequences for those who find this form of abuse ok.</u>

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

Why not sit and go through these specially designed questions with your child to see how safe they are when they're online…

1. When I share something online, who can see it?
   - A: Only people I choose
   - B: Anyone
   - C: Only people I am friends with
2. If a video is sent to you of someone slipping on the grass do you…
   - A: Share it with my friend
   - B: It's mean& could upset them- tell parent
   - C: Share it & tell people, it's funny
3. If someone asks to meet me online I don't know, but they say they know me and they're a friend I…
   - A: Go and meet them, I probably know them
   - B: Ask my friend what I should do
   - C: Tell a parent, they could be strangers
4. Someone shares an embarrassing photo of you that you don't like. What do you do?
   - A: Share an embarrassing photo of them!
   - B: Nothing, it's up to them what they post
   - C: Tell an adult, explain why you're unhappy

0-1 Correct Answers INTERNET BEGINNER	**2 Correct Answers** INTERNET EXPLORER
3 Correct Answers INTERNET ADVENTURER	**4 Correct Answers** INTERNET HERO

ANSWERS

1=B, once you share something anyone can see it

2=B, it could really upset someone, you could get into trouble for sharing it

3=C, you should NEVER agree to meet someone

4=C, an adult can help you & solve this problem

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INTERNET SAFETY

THE INTERNET

What is the main purpose of the internet?

-To offer effective information sharing & communication globally using computers.

Social Networking

The internet today has become so widely used that we can now access social networking sites from our mobile phones, this also means that children can gain access to sites they shouldn't be on. The minimum age for most social networking sites, such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat and Twitter is 13 years old.

Dangers of the online world

-Cyberbullying

-Viruses from unsafe sites

-Predators

-Strangers

-Inappropriate websites, photographs & videos

-Abusive gaming

-Social Networking sites showing inappropriate content- drugs, alcohol & smoking.

CYBERBULLYING

Cyberbullying is the most common type of abuse noted online. Cyberbullying is when someone uses technology, like the internet or a mobile phone, to deliberately hurt, humiliate, harass, intimidate or threaten someone else.

It is different from bullying at school or in the community because it can happen at any time of the day or night and it may cause a child to feel like they can't get away from it. This may leave them feeling scared and unsafe at home as they can still receive hurtful comments if through text messages or messages online.

1) Tell an adult you trust if you are being cyberbullied

2) Don't respond or retaliate it could make things worse

3) Block users who send you nasty messages

4) Save abusive emails or messages (or texts) you receive

5) Make a note of dates and times you receive bullying messages, as well as user's ID

6) Don't pass on any cyberbullying videos or messages – this is cyberbullying

7) Change your user ID, or profile and use a name that doesn't give any information away

8) Visit bullying.co.uk – this is a website where trained counsellors can support you.

9) You can talk to someone at Child Line

SOCIAL NETWORKING

The internet is a great tool to use to find out lots of interesting information and to communicate with friends and family in different countries. If you decide to allow your child use social networking sites we have some tips to ensure they're safe online

ONLY USE THE INTERNET AND APPS SUCH AS SNAPCHAT & MUSICALLY WITH YOUR PARENTS PERMISSION- IF THEY DON'T KNOW THEY CAN'T KEEP YOU SAFE OR PROTECT YOU!

NEVER AGREE TO MEET SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW

NEVER GIVE OUT PASSWORD

MAKE SURE YOUR PROFILE IS ON PRIVATE

DO NOT SHARE PERSONAL INFORMATION ONLINE- SUCH AS MOBILE NUMBER & WHERE YOU LIVE

RESPECT OTHERS

THINK CAREFULLY ABOUT WHAT YOU POST, WOULD YOU WANT YOUR PARENTS TO SEE THIS?

DON'T ACCEPT FRIEND REQUESTS OFF PEOPLE YOU DO NOT KNOW